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# SONIC THE COMIC

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**MEGA BIKE**  
**STICKERS!**

**AMY!** new story  
**PUPPETS ON A STRING!**

**NUCKLES!**  
**GOING UNDERGROUND!**

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Watch  
how you  
handle the FREE  
STC Blue Stickers - they're  
wheely hot! Time to put  
the brakes on and settle  
down to what's happening inside  
this issue...

First off is part three of *Roots*. Sonic  
and the Chaotic crew have been captured by the  
swamp creature known as Root who's trying to gain  
control of their minds.

Next off the block, Amy and Tazoo find  
themselves stranded in space in the middle of a  
prison spaceship! Find out who's pulling the strings

prestige

## HEY BOOMERS!

in Day of the Puppets!

Onto the third and last instalment of  
*The Take-over* which finds Knuckles trapped  
inside an ancient tunnel system on the Floating  
Island. Can he save the Chaos Emeralds from being  
stolen? You know what to do!

I think it's time STC featured another  
competition don't you? Well, thanks to Walkers'  
Snacks, four lucky humes will win a cool Kit Prime  
worth £160.00 each in the Walkers' Cheetos  
Competition.

As if all that isn't enough, *Girl Trouble*  
reunites with when Amy was Amy Rose. Find out why  
she was once a flirty thorn in Sonic's side!

Remember, that your own artwork also  
gets the chance to shine when the *Graphic Zone*  
turns into *Sega Power*! See you in a funky fortnight,  
Boomers!

Megadroid

## NEXT ISSUE



THRILLING CONCLUSIONS

SONIC GETS TO THE ROOT CAUSE!

KNUCKLES SHOCK COLLAR!

PRIZES OF THE MYSTIC CREEK!

PLUS

GRAPHIC ZONE

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PAGE 3

SONIC

# ROOTS

Script: G. Colver • INK: MICHAEL • D & W Art: RICHARD ELLISON • Letters: ELLIE DEWILL

SONIC AND CHAOTIX HAVE BEEN CAPTURED BY THE MYSTERIOUS SWAMP CREATURE KNOWN AS ROOT.

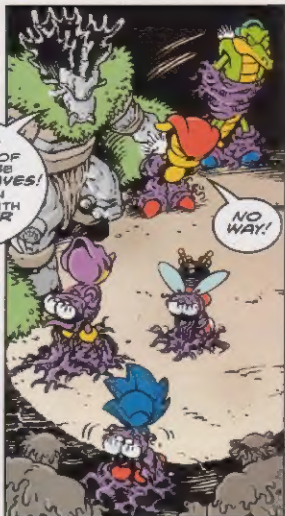
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET AWAY WITH THIS! NOBODY CAN KEEP SONIC THE HEDGEHOG CAPTIVE FOR LONG!

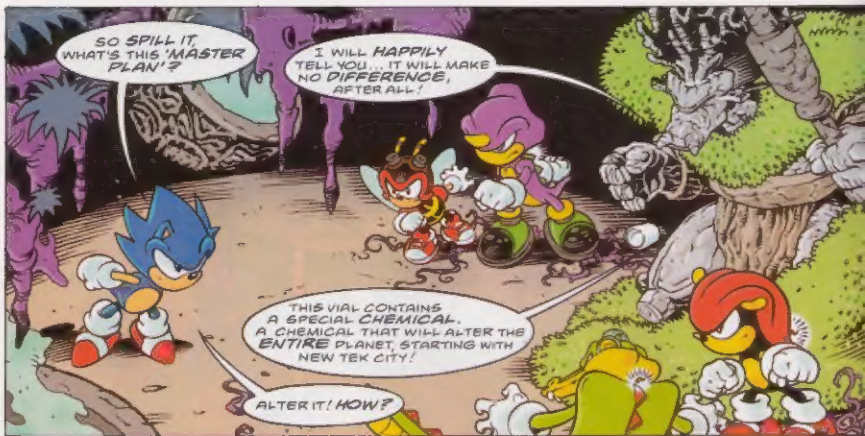
I DON'T INTEND TO TRY. IN A MOMENT I WILL RELEASE YOU AND YOU WILL BE MY WILLING SLAVES!











SO SPILL IT,  
WHAT'S THIS 'MASTER  
PLAN'?

I WILL HAPPILY  
TELL YOU... IT WILL MAKE  
NO DIFFERENCE,  
AFTER ALL!

THIS VIAL CONTAINS  
A SPECIAL CHEMICAL.  
A CHEMICAL THAT WILL ALTER THE  
ENTIRE PLANET, STARTING WITH  
NEW TEK CITY!

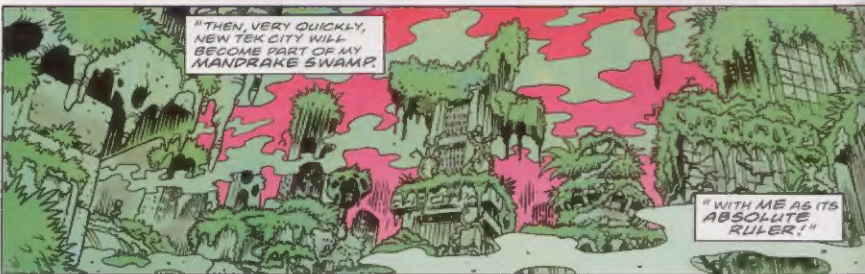
ALTER IT! HOW?



YOU WILL  
EACH TAKE A  
VIAL TO FIVE  
DIFFERENT  
DISTRICTS OF  
NEW TEK  
CITY.



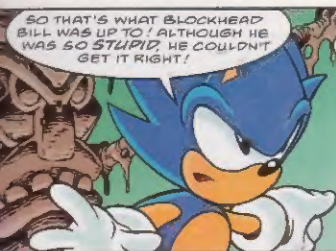
THERE YOU  
WILL EMPTY THE  
CONTENTS INTO THE  
CITY'S SEWER  
SYSTEMS.



"THEN, VERY QUICKLY,  
NEW TEK CITY WILL  
BECOME PART OF MY  
MANDRAKE SWAMP.

"WITH ME AS ITS  
ABSOLUTE  
RULER!"





SO THAT'S WHAT BLOCKHEAD BILL WAS UP TO! ALTHOUGH HE WAS SO STUPID, HE COULDN'T GET IT RIGHT!



HEY, ARE YOU INSULTING ME?

OF COURSE HE IS, DEAR BOY!



FORGET IT, ROOT! YOUR INSANE PLAN ENDS HERE!!

I DON'T THINK SO, SONIC. CHAOTIX, RESTRAIN THE HEDGEHOG WHILE I ATTACH THE MIND ROOT.

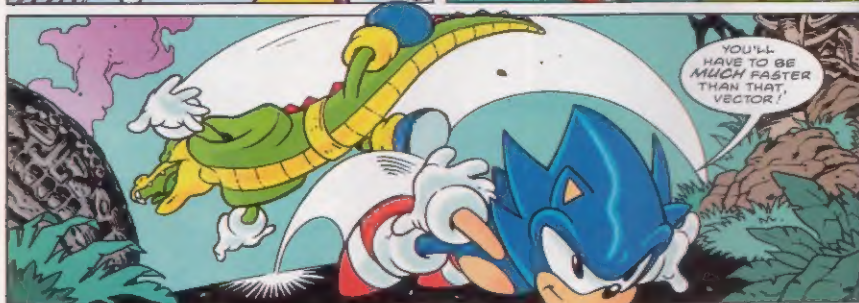


COME ON, GUYS, FIGHT IT! DON'T LET ROOT CONTROL YOU!

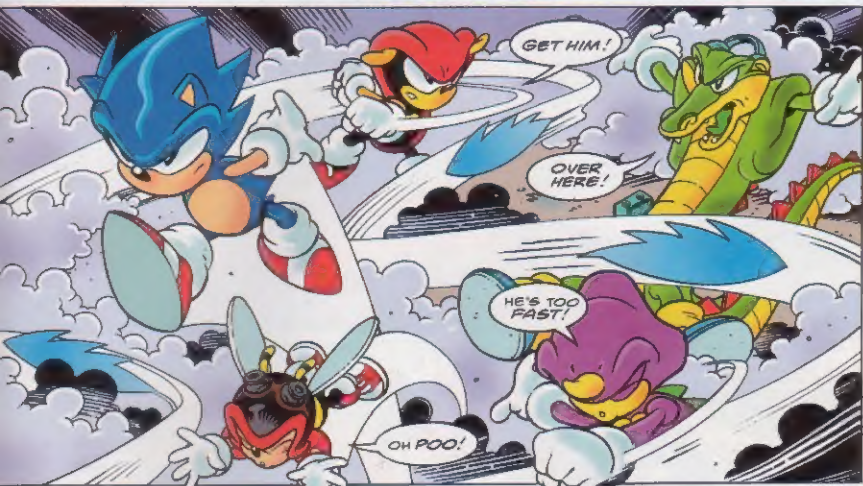


CAN'T BE DONE, SONIC! WE WANT TO OBEY HIM!

YEAH, I KNOW IT'S WRONG, BUT I JUST DON'T SEEM TO CARE!







NEXT ISSUE: SONIC V CHAOTIX!

DEEP WITHIN THE FLOATING ISLAND,  
AN ANGRY EGNIDNA STALKS THE  
ANCIENT TUNNEL SYSTEM.

KNUCKLES IS NOT HAVING  
A GOOD DAY!

PART 5



# THE TAKE-OVER

KNUCKLES

Script: NIGEL KITCHING • Art: NIGEL DOBBYN • Lettering: TOM FRAME

I'VE JUST ABOUT HAD  
ENOUGH OF THIS!

I GET THE FLOATING  
ISLAND JUST THE WAY  
I WANT IT, THEN  
SOME IDIOTS TURN  
UP TO STEAL THE  
CHAOS EMERALDS!

THEY BREAK THROUGH  
ALL THE ISLAND'S  
DEFENCES AS IF THEY  
WEREN'T THERE, AND  
ACT LIKE THEY OWN  
THE PLACE!

WELL, WHEN I GET THROUGH  
WITH THEM THEY'LL WISH  
THEY'D NEVER HEARD OF THE  
CHAOS EMERALDS!



MEANWHILE ON THE SURFACE OF THE FLOATING ISLAND MS ALPHA, MR BETA, MR GAMMA AND MR DELTA HAVE ENCOUNTERED A SLIGHT PROBLEM.

THE ISLAND'S ROBOT GUARDIANS!

DO NOT MOVE YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED.

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM, MR DELTA? YOU SAID YOU COULD DEAL WITH THE ROBOTS!

I'M WORKING ON IT JUST NEED A LITTLE LONGER!

MR BETA, BUY US SOME TIME!  
RIGHT!

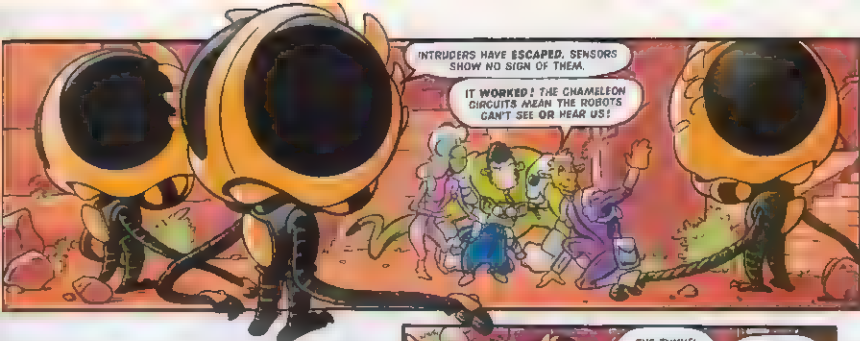
FAZZ-LAKK!

TIMES UP MR DELTA, I WANT YOUR ANSWER NOW!

I'M SCANNING THE ROBOTS' FREQUENCY RIGHT NOW GOT IT! SET YOUR CHAMELEON CIRCUITS TO 275!

YOU WERE WARNED! NOW WE MUST TAKE DIRECT ACTION!

SWANKS!



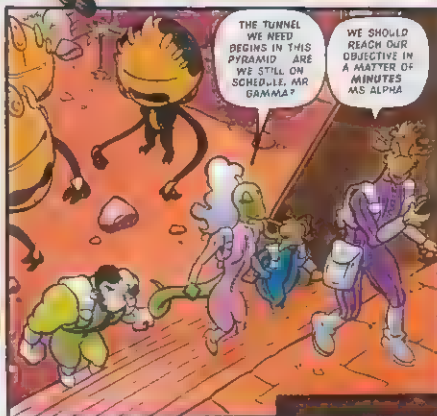
INTRUDERS HAVE ESCAPED. SENSORS SHOW NO SIGN OF THEM.

IT WORKED! THE CHAMELEON CIRCUITS MEAN THE ROBOTS CAN'T SEE OR HEAR US!



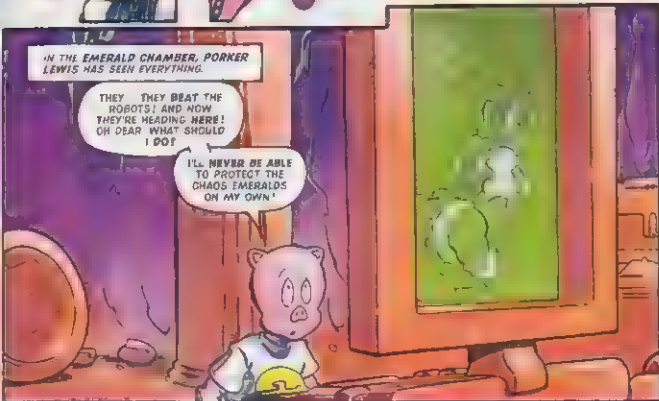
MY DEVICES ALWAYS WORK MR GAMMA!

WE CAN CONGRATULATE OURSELVES LATER. RIGHT NOW WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO!



THE TUNNEL WE NEED BEGINS IN THIS PYRAMID. ARE WE STILL ON SCHEDULE, MR GAMMA?

WE SHOULD REACH OUR OBJECTIVE IN A MATTER OF MINUTES AS ALPHA



IN THE EMERALD CHAMBER, PORKER LEWIS HAS SEEN EVERYTHING.

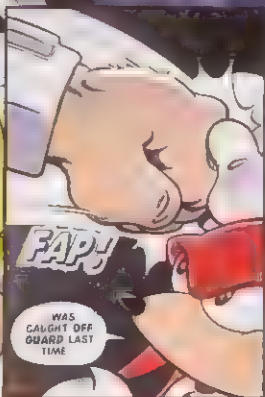
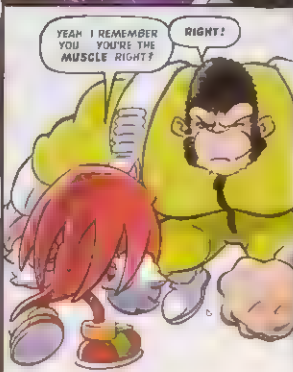
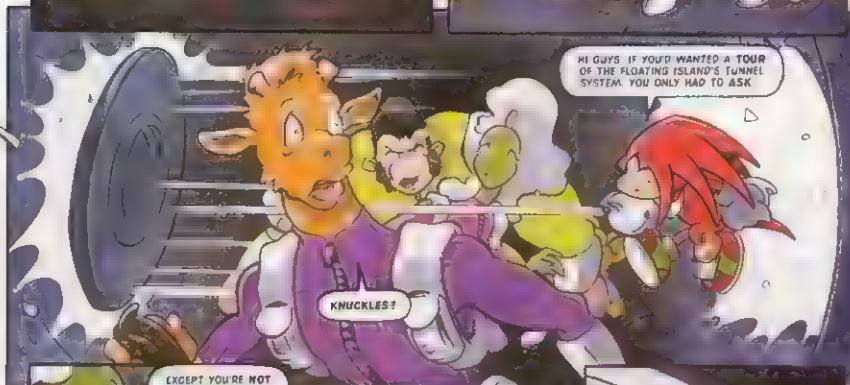
THEY THEY BEAT THE ROBOTS! AND NOW THEY'RE HEADING HERE! OH DEAR WHAT SHOULD I DO!

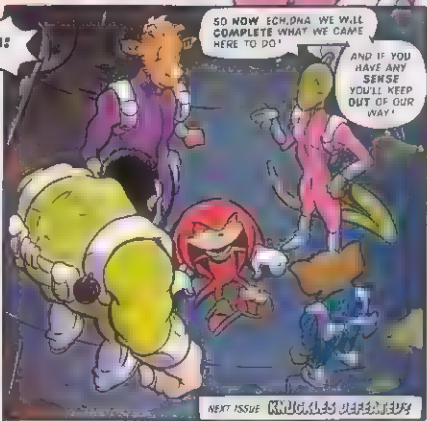
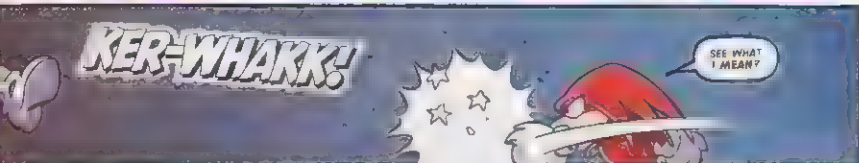
I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO PROTECT THE CHAOS EMERALDS ON MY OWN!



IF ONLY KNUCKLES WERE HERE!







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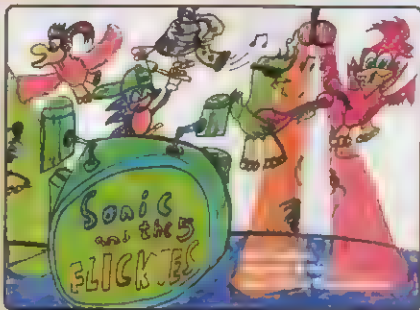


## SEGA POWER

KEEP ON THE WATCH FOR THAT ALL IMPORTANT  
POST DELIVERY, AS EACH ARTIST-HUME WHO  
GETS THEIR WORK PRINTED IN SONIC THE COMIC  
(STC) WILL RECEIVE AN OFFICIAL SONIC THE  
HEDGEHOG DIGITAL WATCH.

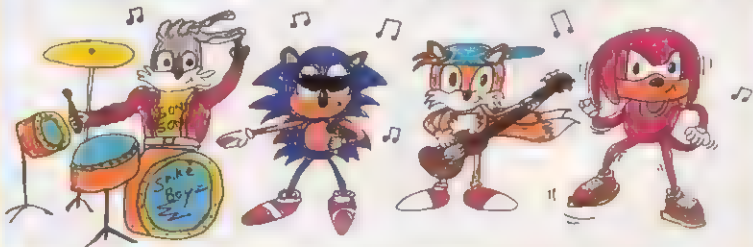
### SPICE

Gail McCall,  
Glasgow, Scotland.  
GG & MD owner.  
Sonic Digital  
Watch Winner.



Stephen Lee,  
Gwent, Wales.  
MS owner.  
Sonic Digital  
Watch Winner.

## SPIKE BOYS



Richard Ellis,  
West Derby,  
Liverpool.  
Sonic Digital  
Watch Winner



Mary Ihek,  
Tooting  
Broadway,  
London.  
Sonic Digital  
Watch Winner.



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ON BOARD THE SPACESHIP PRISON ASTRATOS,  
A BREAKOUT IS TAKING PLACE

GET  
HELP! THE  
PUPPETS ARE  
LOOSE!

DESTROY  
ALL FLESHY  
FOLK! BUGGETS  
RULE O.K!

## DAY OF THE PUPPETS

NOT THE BEST DESTINATION  
FOR AMY AND TENDY ON THEIR  
INTER-DIMENSIONAL TRAVELS!

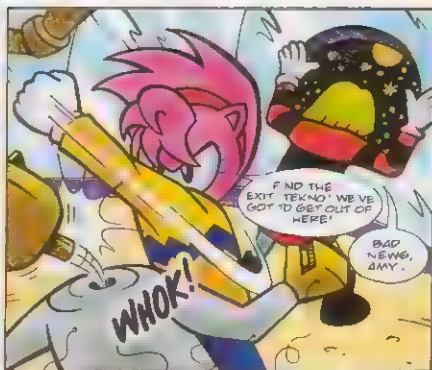
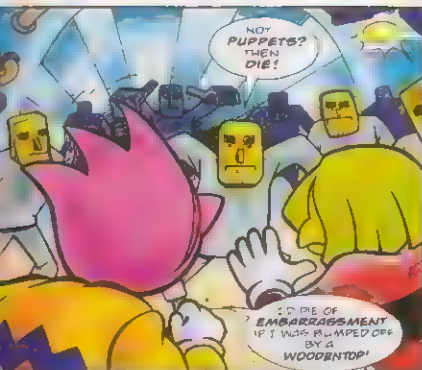
WHERE  
ARE WE THIS  
TIME??

NO  
DANGER AS  
USUAL!

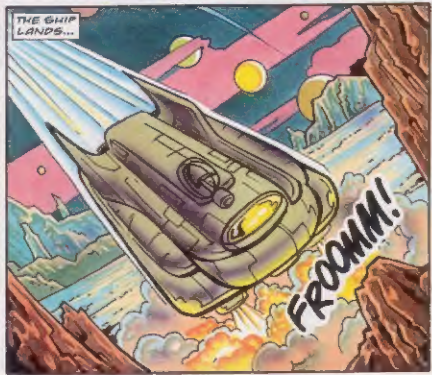
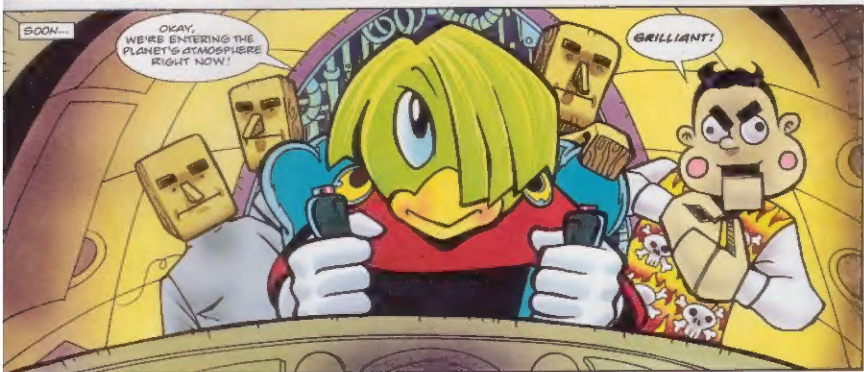
HALT  
WHAT KIND OF  
PUPPETS ARE  
YOU TWO?

WE  
PULL OUR  
OWN STRINGS,  
PAL!

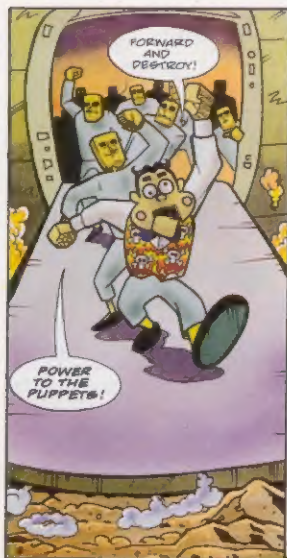












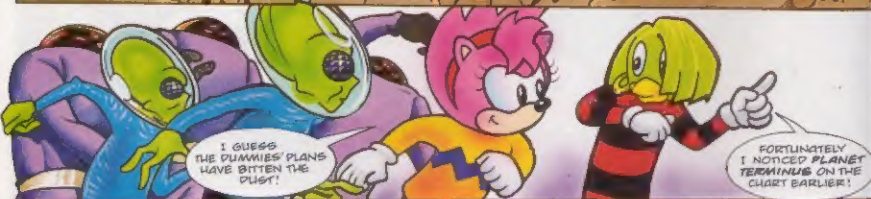
FORWARD  
AND  
DESTROY!

POWER  
TO THE  
PUPPETS!



NOOO!  
TEKNO'S LANDED  
US ON A WORLD FULL  
OF GIANT TERMITES!  
AGGGH!

WOODEN  
PUPPETS!  
DINNER  
TIME!



I GUESS  
THE DUMMIES' PLANS  
HAVE BITTEN THE  
DUST!

FORTUNATELY  
I NOTICED PLANET  
TERMINUS ON THE  
CHART EARLIER!



THANKS FOR  
YOUR HELP! I'LL RADIO  
TO BASE TO PICK US UP  
AND... HEY! YOU'RE  
VANISHING!

WE'RE  
ON COURSE FOR  
OUR NEXT  
DESTINATION!



AT LEAST  
THERE WON'T BE  
ANY EVIL PUPPETS  
IN THE NEXT  
WORLD!

TOUCH  
WOOD!

# Speed LINES

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## LIFE SAVER

Dear STC,

I'm obsessed with art and I draw anything and everything and since a certain game was released years ago, I've made drawing Sonic and co one of my specialities (I had intended to send you some artwork, but then I remembered those nightmare things called GCSE's!).

Anyway, I was wondering, why the change to some of the strip colouring on computer? It still looks good - I'm just curious! Also, any tips on how to draw Grimer as I'll be illustrating a friend's comic soon.

Lastly, congrats on keeping teenagers like myself sane for the past five years since I've had to put up with comprehensive school!

**Abby (Long Term Fan).**  
Please send in name and address.  
Enamel Badge Prize winner.



The change to computer colouring came about as painted artwork can be much more time consuming, Abby. Artist Richard Elson says that he imagines Grimer's

head as a large triangle, with his cheekbones as inverted triangles. Another suggestion is that you "get into the mind of the character", so in Grimer's case, think like a toady, slimy little wormbag and you're half-way there! You can pick up a few more tips in STC 139 which features "Whatever Happened to Grimer".



**stc@egmont.co.uk**

Be sure to include your mail full (postal) address  
in the envelope when you post!

## MIND YOUR LANGUAGE

Dear Megadroid,

I've been reading through old issues and discovered back in Issue 89, a viewpoint on swearing by Boomer Gavin Jackson.

Gavin commented that you don't print swearwords. Well, as most readers are kids like me, I would guess that you can't print them even if you wanted to! If parents find out that there's swearing in the comic, they might think that it's too violent, or they might even ban their child from buying it, and then STC would lose profit - so I say keep the bad words OUT!



**Drew Smith,**  
Longfield, Kent.  
GG, MD & Saturn owner.  
Enamel Badge Prize winner.



You may have noticed Drew, STC already turns the atmosphere a special shade of blue whenever Sonic appears!



Those holidays are gone, No more lazing in the sun!

**Richard Ash,**  
King's Langley, Herts.  
Enamel Badge Prize winner.

Sam Hill,  
Cloucester,  
Gloucestershire.  
Enamel Badge  
Prize winner.



## RIVAL PUBLICATION

Dear Megadroid,

A while ago my sister also started getting into STC as well. Because of this, I made my own version for her instead and charged her 50p a copy! So far I've made 66, for which she's very pleased with. Anyway, it's almost my comic's second anniversary issue and I'll send one to you for FREE. I have to sign off now as I want to finish my comic which is due on sale tomorrow! Bye!

**John Laird,**  
Ceredigion, Wales.  
Enamel Badge Prize winner.



Very professional, John - but making a profit out of your own flesh and blood... That's something you'll never be able to do with me!